



This Week's Theme

We are continuing with our theme of friends, and this week our work will be centred around a book by Rebecca Cobb called 'Hello, Friend!' The story is about how a warm and sociable little girl and describes how much she enjoys the company of a boy in her class at school. However, the pictures reveal him to be reserved and reluctant to join in and play despite her enthusiasm. Gradually he overcomes his anxieties and their continuing friendship seems assured, enabling them both to extend this to another child who seems lonely and left out. There will be lots of discussion about the issues raised in the book and how friendship can be the best thing but also tricky at times. Activities will support children in talking about themselves and how to recognise and manage emotions.

Phonics

As part of our phonics work, we will continue to play games which develop the children's listening skills and ability to tune into sounds so that they are truly ready for hearing the difference between the letter sounds they will learn. We will also be exploring rhyming words so please point out rhymes in any books you read together.

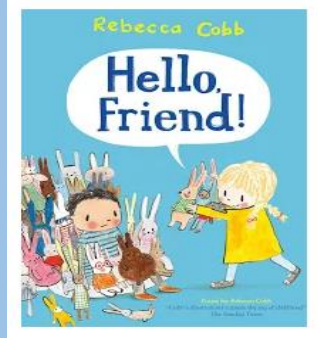
Maths

In maths, we will concentrate mainly on number this week. We will be practising number recognition and writing of numbers 1, 2 and 3 and on reliably counting sets of objects. We will also be looking at shapes and repeating patterns.



Water bottles

We are happy for the children to leave their water bottles at school. We can wash and re-fill them. Please let us know if you want to leave the bottle.



Things to remember

Every day – book bag and water bottle

Tuesdays and Wednesdays – come to school in PE kit

During hot weather - Please apply sun screen before school and send in a hat to wear.

Coats- please send in a coat every day so if it starts raining the children can still go outside.

Thank you for your support. Mrs Clarke, Ms Tonkyn and Mrs Upfold.